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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7157

BILL NUMBER: HB 1123

NOTE PREPARED: Jan 2, 2009

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: School Zone and Signs.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Cherry

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
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 FEDERAL

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: This bill authorizes a city, county, or town to establish speed limits for schools located on streets or highways under the jurisdiction of the city, town, or county. It requires that, after June 30, 2011, there must be: (1) a sign at or as near as practical to the point where a school zone begins, indicating the reduced speed limit for the school zone; and (2) a sign at the end of the school zone indicating: (A) the speed limit for the section of highway that follows the school zone; or (B) the end of the school zone.

Effective Date: July 1, 2009.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: Expenditures for signs will depend upon the number of school speed limit signs used for each school established. The proposal will require at least two signs for entering and exiting each school speed zone. Signs cost, on average, \$40.

Background Information: Currently, there are 1,907 schools in the state. If each school used two signs, the cost per school speed zone established would be \$80.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: Entities with the responsibility for signage.

Information Sources: PEN PRODUCTS Department of Transportation sign sales for December 2007 to November 2008; General School Statistics for 2008.

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